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FRG/Innovation cluster and Operational Innovation Platform meeting at Goshe Bado Kebele

**Introduction**

Thorough discussion was made among strategic innovation platform technical groups members following the orientation given by Zelalem (resource person) about the objective of the meeting (to establish FRG/Innovation clusters), the way how to conduct it and the guideline, roles and responsibility of innovation platform on 31 Jnuary 2015 at Eva hotel. Second operational Innovation Platform meeting was conducted at Goshe Bado kebele of Basona Worena woreda on 01 February 2015. Thirty one farmers, 8 female and 23 male farmers who engaged in different research protocols, and operational Innovation Platform members were participated on this meeting. The meeting was facilitated and directed by resource person (Zelalem Lema) coming from Addis Ababa, ILRI office and strategic Innovation Platform technical group members.

**Objective**

* To establish FRG/Innovation clusters and to select these FRG/Innovation cluster representatives (chairman and secretary) who will be the member of operational innovation platform.
* To identify problems observed during previous research activity implementation and indicate possible solutions by each innovation clusters.

**Methods**

* The objective of the meeting was explained for the meeting participants after introducing strategic innovation platform members and resource persons.
* The status of completed and on-going research activities were presented (with power point) for the participants.
* Farmers were let raise question and their opinions after presentation and response reaction was given by strategic innovation platform technical group members.
* Separate discussion was made with each research protocol participants to identify local name for each innovation cluster/FRG, select their representatives, and raise different problems related to that specific protocols.
* The selected representatives presented the result of discussion made with facilitators and their members.
* Different learning messages were transmitted for the farmers by researchers, woreda experts, and kebele agriculture office head.

**Results**

* A total of seven FRG/Innovation clusters were established and their representatives were identified.

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| S/N | Protocols-Treatment types | Local Name of FRG | FRG members | | | FRG Representatives | | | |
| Male | Female | Total | Name | Sex | Responsibility | Total |
| 1 | Faba bean (PVS-1, F.bean/Forage-20, CSP- 2 | Bayalew Edeg ( let it be surplus) | 21 | 2 | 23 | Gezahegn Tafesse | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Mulatua Mekonnen | Female | Secretary |
| 2 | Wheat (PVS-1, Mechanized seeding-3, Soil fertility treatment-18, CSP-1) | 'Chigir Fechi'') | 18 | 5 | 23 | Mulatu Abegaz | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Mulat Hailegiorgis | Female | Secretary |
| 3 | Apple | 'Sanawukih" (Necessary but introduced late) | 6 | 3 | 9 | Yeshi Agidachew | Male | Leader | 3 |
| Hailu Abebe | Male | Secretary |
| Yeshimebet Kiflie | Female | Member |
| 4 | Tree Lucerne | 'Tekemkegn" (Important in many aspects) | 21 | 6 | 27 | Abegaz Ayifokiru | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Abebech Workneh | Female | Secretary |
| 5 | Potato (CSP-1, PVS-1) | 'Fetno Derash'' (reach at time of need for food and cash) | 1 | 1 | 2 | Tadesse Abebe | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Feleku Dejen | Female | Secretary |
| 6 | Crop Residue | 'Adis Alem'' (New way for better utilization) | 19 | 4 | 23 | Ketsela Gebrekidan | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Nigatu Ayifokiru | Male | Secretary |
| 7 | Barley (PVS) | 'Agerun Anka'' (let all participate on it to be benefited from coming opportunities) | 1 | 1 | 2 | Negash Zewdie | Male | Leader | 2 |
| Getahun Asrat | Male | Secretary |

 

Faba bean FRG/Innovation cluster members Apple research group members

* Different problems and possible solutions were indicated by each innovation clusters/FRG

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| S/N | FRG/Innovation cluster | Problems observed |
| 1 | Faba bean (PVS-1, F.bean/Forage-20, CSP- 2 | Lack of improved variety fitting local situation  Disease problem  Occurrence of noxious weed species |
| 2 | Wheat (PVS-1, Mechanized seeding-3, Soil fertility treatment-18, CSP-1) | Varieties introduced for trial are not enough  Lack of proper weeding  Occurrence of noxious weed species |
| 3 | Apple | Damage by pest, birds, wild animal  Disease  Poor management |
| 4 | Tree Lucerne | Pest and rodent attack  Poor management  Frost effect |
| 5 | Potato (CSP-1, PVS-1) | - |
| 6 | Crop Residue | - |
| 7 | Barley (PVS) | - |

* List of operational innovation plat form members were identified (full operational IP established)

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| No | Name | Sex | Role within the Kebele | IP Role | TG/GA |
| 1 | Sebsibe Sahele | M | Head Kebele office of Agriculture | Chairman | Technical Group Member |
| 2 | Anetse Bete | M | Development Agent | Facilitator | Technical Group Member |
| 3 | Eyerusalem W/Tsadik | F | Kebele Land Admin Office Head | Secretary | Technical Group Member |
| 4 | Mohamed Yimam | M | Development Agent | Member | Technical Group Member |
| 5 | Sasy Tadesse | F | Development Agent | Member | Technical Group Member |
| 6 | Shimelash Engedaw (Vet) | M | Kebele Livestock Veternarian | Member | Technical Group Member |
| 7 | Asebu G/Egzaber | F | Health Extension Worker | Member | Technical Group Member |
| 8 | Mekre Gashaw | M | Kebele Adminstrator | Chairman | General Assembly |
| 9 | Feleku G/Mariam | F | Women Affair office head | Member | General Assembly |
| 10 | Mengistu Asamnew | M | Religious Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 11 | Wubitu Kidane | F | Cooperative office head | Member | General Assembly |
| 12 | Mulugeta Beyene | M | Youth Represntative | Member | General Assembly |
| 13 | Abebebch Workineh | F | Women Association (Tree Lucern FRG rep) | Member | General Assembly |
| 14 | Yehualashet Mulugeta | M | Youth Association (Data Collector for Africa RISING) | Member | General Assembly |
| 15 | Nebiyu Lema | M | Bee Association | Member | General Assembly |
| 16 | Mulatu Abegaz | M | Credit and Saving association | Member | General Assembly |
| 17 | Gezahegn Tafesse | Male | Faba Bean FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 18 | Mulatua Mekonnen | Female | Fababean FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 19 | Mulatu Abegaz | Male | Wheat FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 20 | Mulat Hailegiorgis | Female | Wheat FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 21 | Yeshi Agidachew | Male | Apple FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 22 | Hailu Abebe | Male | Apple FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 23 | Yeshimebet Kiflie | Female | Apple FRG Member | Member | General Assembly |
| 24 | Abegaz Ayifokiru | Male | Tree Lucern FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 25 | Abebech Workneh | Female | Tree Lucern FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 26 | Tadesse Abebe | Male | Potato FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 27 | Feleku Dejen | Female | Potato Residue FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 28 | Ketsela Gebrekidan | Male | Crop Residue FRG Leader | Member | General Assembly |
| 29 | Nigatu Ayifokiru | Male | Crop Residue FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 30 | Getahun Aserat | Male | Barely FRG Secretary | Member | General Assembly |
| 31 | Negash Zewde | Male | Barely FRG Chairman | Member | General Assembly |

List of strategic innovation platform technical group members participated on the kebele IP meeting at Goshe bado kebele

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| S/N | Name | Sex | Organization | Role in the IP | E-mail | Phone |
| 1 | Tegene Seifu | Male | WoA-AGP Focal person | Communication champion | [tegene2010@yahoo.com](mailto:tegene2010@yahoo.com) | **0910359492** |
| 2 | Jemal Mohamed | Male | WoA-SLM Focal person | Member |  | **0911777136** |
| 3 | Tesfa temesgen (Representing Shewangizaw Nigussie) | Male | WoA- expert | Member |  |  |
| 4 | Henok Terefe | Male | Youth, Children and women affair expert | Member |  |  |
| 5 | Abro Tigabie | Male | Debre Birhan ARC | Facilitator | [abirot@yahoo.com](mailto:abirot@yahoo.com) | **0931522241** |
| 6 | Amhayesus Belete | Male | Debre Birhan University | M&E champion | [Amhab28@gmail.com](mailto:Amhab28@gmail.com) | **0920175218** |
| 7 | Temesgen Alene | Male | Africa RISING Site coordinator | Secretary | [temesgenalene11@gmail.com](mailto:temesgenalene11@gmail.com) | **0920512116** |
| 8 | Shimelis Mengistu | Male | Africa RISING Assistant site coordinator | Member | [shimelis\_mengistu@yahoo.com](mailto:shimelis_mengistu@yahoo.com) | 0912846335 |